BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Docket No.: 2013-275-WS

In the Matter of Application of)	
)	CAROLINA WATER SERVICE'S
Carolina Water Service, Inc.)	RESPONSE TO MOTION TO
for Adjustment of Rates and Charges and)	RECONSIDER OF
Modifications to Certain Terms and)	DONALD G. LONG
Conditions for the Provision of Water)	
and Sewer Service)	

The Applicant, Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("CWS"), through its undersigned counsel responds to Donald G. Long's request, dated November 14, 2013, that the Commission reconsider its decision of October 23, 2013, in Order No. 2013-773. The Commission staff provided CWS a copy of Mr. Long's request on November 19, 2013. CWS believes that the Commission's Order No. 2013-773 addressed all of the issues and concerns raised by Mr. Long in his letter of October 10. 2013, in a complete and equitable fashion, and therefore would urge the Commission to deny Mr. Long's motion for reconsideration.

Furthermore, CWS believes that Mr. Long's request to intervene in this docket should be denied as Mr. Long failed to clarify his desired status by the November 1, 2013 deadline set out in Order No. 2013-773. However, after conferring with Mr. Long through its counsel in an attempt to resolve this matter, CWS understands the gravamen of Mr. Long's request to be his desire to testify before the Commission for longer than the regularly allotted time for public comment, which has typically been three minutes.

In an effort to resolve Mr. Long's motion, CWS would not object to any of the following options¹:

While counsel CWS has amicably conferred with Mr. Long before making this filing, CWS wants to be clear that it, at this point, it does not know if the options which it is proposing would fully resolve

1. The Commission allow Mr. Long additional time (up to thirty minutes) to testify as a public witness at the public hearing scheduled in in Lake Wylie on December 12, 2013, or

2. Mr. Long be allowed to testify for up to thirty minutes as a public witness at the public testimony portion of the final hearing in Columbia on January 14, 2014, or

3. The ORS being allowed to Mr. Long as a witness, either at the public hearing in Lake Wylie, or at the final hearing in Columbia, in order to give him the opportunity to testify.

Should he be permitted to testify as outlined above, Mr. Long has agreed to provide CWS with an advance copy of his remarks and presentation. CWS would not object to the Commission's waiving of the prefiling requirement for Mr. Long's testimony as long as it is given adequate time to object and otherwise respond to Mr. Long's testimony (such arrangements could be handled by the Hearing Officer). The alternatives outlined above could be implemented without requiring Mr. Long's formal intervention in the case, and CWS submits that their implementation would serve the interests of justice and judicial economy.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mr. Long's concerns and it is not representing them as a proposed settlement of his motion. CWS looks forward to Mr. Long's response.